

BRANDEGEE DEFEATS HILL FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR.

ALASKA CUT OFF BY SEVERE EARTHQUAKE

Entire Northwestern Portion of Continent Suffers from Trembles.

No Serious Damage Reported as Yet, Although Shock Was Felt Over Immense Territory—Mount Baker Belches Fire and Smoke—Efforts to Re-establish Communication.

(Special from United Press.) Seattle, Wash., Jan. 12.—Efforts to re-establish communication with Nome, Dawson City, and other cities in Alaska were made today to enable the government authorities to ascertain the amount of damage done there by the seven seismic disturbances which shook the Sierra Madre mountains from Tacoma, Washington, to points in the far north.

Mount Baker, the coast land mark, belched fire and smoke. Today the mountain gives forth acid fumes and the crater of the century extinct volcano is full of red hot lava. At Bellevue, Washington, the citizens were panic-stricken when the shock occurred. Hundreds ran into the street. Walls cracked, chimneys toppled and tall towers swayed.

British Columbia felt the shock severely. In Victoria, people ran about the streets with the vivid pictures of the San Francisco earthquake still fresh in their memories.

Vancouver's fishing fleet in harbor for the winter was swept from moorings and carried into the bay. News from points further north was cut off when the Alaskan cable went down at dark last night. Up to that time flashes told of damage by earthquake extending through the lower country of Alaska. The government instruments recorded shocks covering an area of 800 miles.

TILLMAN IS GOING AFTER PRESIDENT

(Special from United Press.) Washington, Jan. 12.—"I am going after the President just as he has gone for me, and I hope to get the same kind of evidence that he has produced against me."

This statement was made by Senator Tillman today when he was spoken to in regard to the speech he delivered yesterday.

"Tillman would not to-day tell of what he expected to accuse the President," he said, "but he probably has a month at least before he would be ready to assail the President. Asked whether he would deliver his speech before President Roosevelt went out of office, he answered:

"You bet your life I will." Senator Tillman's public admission on the floor of the Senate yesterday that he was "perhaps disingenuous" in his statement to the Senate last year regarding the Oregon Land episode has caused more discussion here than any other feature of his speech.

The following are the meanings of the word: "disingenuous" refers to (1)—not noble; unbecoming true honor or dignity; mean; unworthy. (2)—Not ingenuous; wanting in noble character or frankness; not frank or open; uncanon; unworthy or meanly artful.

Some of the South Carolinian's colleagues are questioning to-day whether he really meant to characterize his conduct in this way, or whether he did not make in this, an equally unfortunate use of a word, as he employed the word "undertaken to buy" any western lands.

The main question involved is whether Tillman deceived the Senate in his statements of last February.

HUSBAND SUES WIFE'S ESTATE

Wants Accounting for Money Spent on Real Estate Deeded to Spouse.

Judge J. W. Banks, Simeon E. Pease and Clarence D. Anderson, commissioners on the estate of the late Elizabeth M. Middlebrook yesterday heard testimony and arguments on the claim of the husband of the deceased, Henry B. Middlebrook, for \$197,936. Attorney J. E. Klein represented the plaintiff and Judge A. B. Beers the estate. The claim of Mr. Middlebrook is that in 1893 he deeded to his wife a certain piece of property on Lewis street, with the understanding that his wife should make a will in his favor. He has advanced sums of money for the payment of interest, insurance and taxes on property to the amount stated. A short time before her death Mrs. Middlebrook informed him that she had made a will, but did not say in whose favor it was made.

The will devised him one-third of the property, and the other two-thirds to Mrs. Mary Louise Pendleton, a daughter by a previous marriage. Mrs. Middlebrook died in 1907.

AMPUTATED AN ARM.

The surgeons at the Bridgeport hospital yesterday amputated at the shoulder the left arm of Matt Merrill, who was injured in a runaway accident on Fairfield avenue last Thursday. Dr. Topping performed the operation, which is regarded as perfectly successful. Mr. Merrill is resting easily today, having recovered from the shock.

TUMPAIN HAS SOME MONEY, BUT LITTLE MIND

Police Entertain Stranger Who Gave Southport Carmichael Fright.

Hails from Mt. Vernon and Has Papers Indicating that He Has Recently Inherited a Fortune from His Father, a Prosperous Tipperary Man.

The man who was believed to be Rev. J. H. Carmichael, and who caused so much stir in Southport, yesterday, and the day before, is now in the police station here for investigation concerning his sanity.

It has been ascertained that his name is Michael Tumpain and that his address is 24 South Fifth avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y. After passing Sunday in Southport and creating considerable excitement, Tumpain called on Casper Schep, yesterday morning, at his saloon on the dock in Southport, and obtained the \$50 he had entrusted to the care of the saloon keeper on Saturday night.

He was then in fairly good condition and had a gold watch and chain beside the money. He was given a ride by a resident of Greens Farms to sober him up. Afterwards he wandered. Later he was seen walking toward Bridgeport. Early last evening he was discovered on Fairfield avenue, by Henry J. Waters, assistant city auditor, who took charge of him, and after talking a short time ascertained that he was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Waters is district deputy of the order and took a brotherly interest in the stranger, who was evidently unable to care for himself. He was taken to headquarters and turned over to Superintendent Birmingham for safe keeping until his friends could be notified of his condition.

Dr. Krause administered sedatives and Tumpain was locked in a cell.

When searched at headquarters Tumpain had \$231 in his pockets. His watch was gone. Papers in his pockets revealed his name and address and also the fact that the watch and chain he wore had cost him \$104. Other papers indicated that the man's father had been a wealthy resident of Tipperary and had left an estate of 28,000 pounds when he died some time ago.

The police are making an attempt to locate the watch and chain, which they believe were taken from Tumpain after he reached this city. Tumpain says that he had about \$500 with him when he was taken to the police station. He placed no credence in his statements. He has told a different story to everyone he has talked with. Superintendent Birmingham believes that the man is not accountable for his actions. His statements are incoherent. He reasonably sober this morning but this did not seem to improve his mind.

Mr. Waters has telegraphed to the grand knight of the Knights of Columbus, in Mount Vernon and is awaiting a reply.

ZIMMER GETS BODY WRIT FOR MRS. HANKE

Real Estate Agent Demands Damages for Alleged Malicious Prosecution.

I. Herman Zimmer has brought action against Mrs. George Hanke, of Hartford, claiming damages to the amount of \$500 for malicious prosecution. A month ago Mrs. Hanke made complaint at Headquarters that the watchman of her home, Zimmer, was arrested and taken away by Assistant Prosecutor Wilder. Mrs. Hanke accused Zimmer of entering her house and making improper proposals, remaining in her house two hours in spite of her protestation and resistance.

This testimony was unsupported. Mrs. Hanke asserted that Zimmer was trying to sell her a lot. Zimmer states that the complaint of Mrs. Hanke was a matter of revenge, Zimmer, who is to be disseminated from his home, which he was agent for non-payment of the rent. He also reported the case to other landlords and the result was that the Hanke's were keyed out. As Mrs. Hanke has no property on which to levy, a body writ has been issued. The writ will be served to-day.

Zimmer is represented by Bartlett, Keler & Cohn.

"YOUNG" ERNE BEATS GANNON

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.—"Young Erne" of this city, bested Mickey Gannon, of Pittsburgh, last night in a bout which packed the clubhouse of the Washington Sporting Club to the doors. Erne's showing was a big surprise, for in the first round he appeared afraid of Gannon and did not make any attempt to fight. But after his first round, Erne, from that time on, gave Gannon one of the hardest bouts the Pittsburgh slasher has had since coming to Philadelphia.

FATAL FLAG RAISING

(Special from United Press.) Bristol, Jan. 12.—Designated by his teacher as today's flag monitor, Cyril Meyers, 15 years old, and one of the brightest pupils in the Grammar school here, climbed to the roof of the building today, slipped and fell to the ground, receiving injuries from which he died in a few minutes before the eyes of his teachers and schoolmates.

Judge Scott in the Court of Common Pleas handed down a decision in the case of Richard J. Kiely vs. Margaret A. Kiely in favor of the plaintiff to recover \$184.15. The plaintiff brought suit in connection with a building contract claiming he had advanced \$499.42 toward the cost of the construction and had not been reimbursed.

CAPITOL CORRIDORS FILLED WITH WORKERS IN SENATE CONTEST

On Eve of Caucus Both Sides Expressed Confidence of Winning—Many of the Big Politicians of the State Present.

TOTAL VOTE 237 NECESSARY TO CHOICE 119

HILL'S VOTE 111, BRANDEGEE'S VOTE 126

(By Our Staff Corres.) Hartford, Jan. 12.—On the eve of the caucus which will decide the contest for the United States senatorship from this state for a term of six years from the fourth of March next, both sides the confident of winning and claim the selection of their candidate by a good majority of the votes cast at the caucus. Previous to the assembling of the members of the legislature in joint caucus the Hill men claimed the election of Congressman Hill by from 10 to 20 votes. The Brandegee forces seemed equally confident and claimed the selection of Frank B. Brandegee by not less than 25 votes and one estimate gives Hill but 90 votes.

The total membership of the caucus is 236 and it will require 119 votes to nominate.

Many of the most prominent men of the state are the through the corridors of the capitol this morning and are doing more or less effective work for their favorite candidates. Prominent among them is United States Senator Morgan G. Bulkeley who this morning took off his coat to work for his colleague in the Senate, Frank B. Brandegee and by some it is thought he has cut into the preserves of the Hill men to some extent. Others who are working in the interests of Brandegee are State Chairman Kenealy, Sheriff Hawley of Bridgeport, Railroad Commissioner Andrew Gates, and others of less prominence.

Looking after the interests of the Hill canvass are Ex-Gov. McLean, Cassius F. Fyler, J. Henry Rowback, Charles F. Brooks, Editor Charles Hopkins Clarke of the Hartford Courant, and Postmaster Marigold of Bridgeport.

The Hill men claimed they would not lose a vote in Litchfield County, but the Brandegee men assert that they would have at least 8 and maybe 10 votes from that county. The Brandegee men claim a good vote although they admitted that perhaps Hill might have a majority of the votes cast from that county.

In Fairfield county the Hill men claimed 31 of 37 votes, but Sheriff Hawley, for Brandegee, only smiled and said his figures indicated that Brandegee was the victor. The Brandegee men claimed that they would carry the county without doubt.

Of the five representatives from Bridgeport, Senators Holzer and Manwaring and Representative Clarke are placed in the Hill column, while Senator Arnold and Representative Bartlett are claimed by both sides, although they both say they had committed themselves one way or the other and would vote in accordance with their judgment as to the best interests of their constituents. But the Hill men claimed all of the Bridgeporters.

Brandegee men claimed to be certain of at least one of the Bridgeport men. Perhaps no contest in recent years has brought out a bigger proportion of

ONE HUNDRED MINERS CAUGHT BY EXPLOSION

Lick Collieries Again Scene of a Big Disaster.

Only Two Weeks Ago 50 Lives Were Lost in Same Mine—Thought 250 Men Were at Work This Morning and That from 50 to 100 Have Perished.

(Special from United Press.) Welch, W. Va., Jan. 12.—One hundred miners were caught to-day in a second mine explosion at the Lick Branch Colliery. Hardly had the crepe been taken from the doors of the humble little homes on the banks of the Elkhorn than an explosion which promises to be more dreadful than the one of two weeks ago in which half a hundred lives were lost, occurred.

Fathers and brothers of some killed in the last explosion are known to have been in the ill-fated mine at 3:30 this morning when the second explosion occurred. It is known that 250 miners were on duty at the time.

State Mine Inspector John A. Laing of New River, and four of his leading assistants had just made an inspection of the Lick Branch colliery prior to the first explosion and it was pronounced one of the safest and best ventilated mines in the Flat-top fields. Another inspection was made just after the explosion and no cause could be assigned for the catastrophe.

Switchback, the scene of the explosion, is a small village in Millwright County in the heart of the great Flat-top fields.

At noon today the heat was so intense in the Lick Branch mine that no attempt had been made by the rescuers to enter it. It is now believed the death list may reach 120.

BANKS SAYS HE MADE NO PROMISES

Inform House Members He Is Pledged Not to Take Part in Senatorial Fight.

(Special from United Press.) Hartford, Jan. 12.—The Senate and House met at 12:30 this afternoon, Lieutenant Governor Weeks presiding in the former and Speaker Banks in the latter. In the Senate the only business done was the reading of ex-Governor Woodruff's farewell message regarding the taxation of oyster beds.

In the lower body the feature of the brief session was the statement by Speaker Banks that appointments had not been made in connection with the United States Senatorship fight. He stated that he had made no promises to any member of appointments on committees except one, to appoint a certain member on the agricultural committee on the solicitation of a very dear friend. He further stated that he had agreed in conference with Representatives of Hill and Brandegee that no appointments should be made or promised in regard to the Senatorship and that this had been lived up to.

GIRL DREADS BROTHER'S HOME

Max F. Blau, the Brooklyn real estate dealer, who discovered his missing sister at the home of Louis Richards in Stratford Saturday, where the girl was employed as a domestic, again visited the girl at the Richards home, to-day, and made another unsuccessful attempt to induce her to return to her home in Brooklyn. The girl has steadily refused to see her brother and also refuses to return with him. She says that she would much rather live where she is than to be humiliated by returning to her home. She is now comfortable, although it is much more comfortable than where she is now located. The girl is 20 years of age, of good appearance and well balanced.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

At a meeting of the Ordinance committee, to be held next Friday night, the framing of a new ordinance relative to the fire department is under consideration. The Fire Commission has asked that the position be separated. The present ordinance couples the position with that of company commander. Assistant Chief Daniel Johnson at present is captain of No. 1 Engine Company and hydrant inspector. It is the desire of the board to place the hydrant inspector in another member of the department. The likely appointee to the place will be Frank Noonan, who has performed the work of hydrant inspecting under Captain Johnson for several years past. The committee at the same meeting will consider an ordinance prescribing when the harbor master shall be elected, and when he shall take office, and declare it is his duty to create sentiment among members of the Legislature.

BRIBERY RUMOR IN INDIANA CONTEST

Alleged Attempt to Get Votes for a Senatorial Candidate.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 12.—Rumors of attempted bribery in connection with the contest for the United States Senate are under investigation by Eliott R. Hooton, prosecuting attorney of Marion county.

"If it appears that there is any basis for an investigation, the case will be laid before a grand jury," said Mr. Hooton last night. Hooton's first information, which he said one of six candidates for senator had verified, was that a man purporting to represent one of the candidates, had asked two legislators what inducements would be necessary to get them to leave their candidate. Some of the other candidates laugh at the bribery rumor, and declare it is a trick to create sentiment among members of the Legislature.

GUESSES ABOUT COMMITTEESHIP APPOINTMENTS

Speaker Banks Will Make His Announcements at Session Thursday.

Burns of Greenwich for House Leader and Chairman of Judiciary—Judge Parker for Second Place—Bartlett of Bridgeport Also Slated for This Committee—Where Other Bridgeporters May Land.

(By Our Staff Corres.) Hartford, Jan. 12.—Speaker Elmore S. Banks of the House will announce his appointments to the various committees at a session of the House to be held Thursday, and while it is not official a number of pretty good guesses have been made as to some of the likely plums to be distributed. Mr. Banks has given no intimation as to whom he has selected, but these things always get around and here are some of the very likely guesses which are being made, and it is said upon pretty good authority.

It is said that Rep. Charles B. Burnes of Greenwich, chairman of the Railroad committee two years ago, has been selected for the position of House leader and chairman of the Judiciary committee, and it is also probable that Rep. Bartlett of Bridgeport will be a member of that committee. Mr. Burnes has been ill and may be unable to take up the active work of the position at once so it is said that Judge Parker of Hartford will be named as second upon the committee and for a time at least will be the acting chairman. Mayor Lee and others from Bridgeport have urged Speaker Banks to appoint Rep. Payette C. Clarke of that city upon the committee on cities and boroughs, and it is understood that the Speaker has not yet decided to make the appointment, or upon what committee Mr. Clarke will be named.

It is expected that Judge Malone of Bristol, an opponent of Mr. Banks for the speakership, will land upon the Judiciary committee. Perhaps as chairman of the committee on cities and boroughs.

President Brooks of the Senate has completed his list of committees, but has not yet announced them. It is understood that Senator Holzer of Bridgeport will be appointed upon either the banking or insurance committees. Friends of Senator Arnold of Bridgeport have had him made a member of the committee on labor, but the chances are said to be against him. Senator Manwaring is likely to be appointed to the committee on cities and boroughs, a position for which he is well fitted. There is a feeling that either Manwaring or Arnold will land upon that committee.

UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS TO STATE

(Special from United Press.) Boston, Jan. 12.—The state of Massachusetts will receive over \$1,000,000 of unclaimed deposits in the state savings banks in this state as the result of a decision handed down to-day by the full bench of the Supreme court in the case of Attorney General Dana Malone against the Provident Institution for Saving. The Attorney General claimed that the deposits amounting to over \$1,000,000 were in this bank and that the residue of Matthew Gaynor, who according to an act passed by the last legislature, The Supreme court to-day upheld the constitutionality of this act. The ruling is a victory for the state, as the fact that there are over \$1,000,000 worth of such securities held by various institutions in the state.

Deaths and Funerals.

Mary E., widow of Joseph A. Delaney, brother of Alexander L. Delaney, prosecuting attorney of this city died at St. Vincent's Hospital this morning at the residence of Matthew Gaynor, who removed recently from her home 327 Lexington avenue because of stomach trouble. The deceased's husband died about a year ago, after a long illness, at the residence of Matthew Gaynor, who removed recently from her home 327 Lexington avenue because of stomach trouble. The deceased's husband died about a year ago, after a long illness, at the residence of Matthew Gaynor, who removed recently from her home 327 Lexington avenue because of stomach trouble. The deceased's husband died about a year ago, after a long illness, at the residence of Matthew Gaynor, who removed recently from her home 327 Lexington avenue because of stomach trouble.

YORK MURDERED FOUR.

(Special from United Press.) Manhattan, Minn., Jan. 12.—James York, a quarryman, murdered his four children, one by one, as they descended the stairs this morning. York later hanged himself.

AUDITOR'S REPORT READY

City Auditor Keating, who is preparing his annual report to the Board of Apportionment, will have it completed by January 27.

ITALIAN RELIEF FUND.

Contributions received by the Bridgeport Trust Company, since last report, are as follows:

The Ladies' Hebrew Charitable Society, \$100.00

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AFTER 400 ACRES AT LORDSHIP PARK

New York Real Estate Firm Would Build Hotel There.

Talk of Trolley Line Over Beach at Steeplechase Island With Eight Mile Loop Through Main Street in Stratford.

A New York real estate firm is negotiating for the purchase of 400 acres of land owned by A. W. Burritt and W. T. Howes, at Lordship Park, Stratford, with the idea of cutting it up into building lots and exploiting it as a first class summer home property with the erection of a large summer hotel in the center of the tract. If the deal goes through the property will be opened up next Spring and the New York firm will make an effort to have an electric car line extend to Lordship Park.

In this effort they will have the support of the Lordship Land Improvement Association and the present owners of summer homes at Lordship Park east of Point No. 1. The present owners of property stated this morning that there are enough people located along the beach, in the summer, under present conditions, to warrant the extension of the trolley line there with out waiting for the proposed hotel and cottages. He suggested that the line be an extension of the line which it is proposed to extend to Steeplechase Island next season, for besides providing transportation for the cottagers it would make an ideal pleasure ride from Bridgeport along the beach, covering between seven and eight miles. A loop was made connecting with the present lines at Hard's corner, Stratford.

From the bathing houses at Steeplechase to the cottages at Lordship is a distance of two miles, and from the cottages on the point to Hard's corner, it is three miles. The present Lordship Park owners favor the Steeplechase Island route, as it is about a mile shorter.

The Land Improvement association has \$800,000 of bonds at Lordship, 400 of which is protected by a devise which has made the salt meadows into first class farming land. If the New York firm is able to carry out its plans it will prove one of the biggest booms this city has had for sometime past.

(UNCLASSIFIED.)

TO RENT.—3 rooms stationary tubs and gas \$7, 1313 Seaview avenue. A 12 s p o

FOR SALE.—Upright piano, worth \$350, for \$150, with 10 years guarantee. 844 Noble avenue. A 12 d o

TO RENT.—Six room flat, all improvements, 57 De Kalb ave., \$16. Inquire 838 Broad St. A 12 s p o

HOUSEKEEPER WANTED BY A WIDOWER.

Call between hours of 7 and 9 evenings. Good wages, good home. 66 William street. A 12 s p o

WHIST.—Independent Order of Foresters.

Red Men's Hall, Studio Bldg., 176 Fairfield Ave. Tickets, 15 cents. 8:30. A 2 p

SITUATION WANTED.—By middle-aged man to work around greenhouse, has experience. William Namt, 206 Pine St. A 12 b p

FOR SALE.—One Weber upright piano, in walnut case. Original cost \$600. Now \$175. Our guarantee. Steinert's Piano Store, 915 Main Street, near State. A 12 s o

FOR SALE.—Another Steinway upright piano. Cost originally \$700. Now \$250. Time payment, if desired. Steinert's Piano Store, 915 Main St., near State. A 12 s o

DON'T WALK LIKE A COW.—Corns, Bunions, Callouses quickly removed by my special Modern Painless Method. Dr. Mansfield, Room 103 Meigs Building. A 12 s *

WANTED.—To buy a farm near the city. Price between \$3,000 and \$5,000. 367 Hancock Ave., City. A 11 s p o

WANTED.—Boy to work in store on the East Side. One not afraid to work. Address, H. S., East Side Station. A 11 b p o

FOR RENT.—7 room flat, 1512 Park Ave., \$30. T. F. Reilly. A 9 u p o

WANTED.—Honest, sober young man to qualify for good position in the Mail Service. Address H. B., care of this paper. A 9 u p

THE PHILOMAT reliable astrologer. Consultation on all affairs, date given. 407 John St. A 6 t p o

AGENTS WANTED for best selling article on market today. Women buy on sight. Fine repeater. Write for particulars. Box 557, New Haven, Conn. A 6 d p

CASCA LAXINE tablets, the thing for constipation and stomach troubles. G 1 o

TO RENT.—Newly furnished lodge hall several evenings. Inquire August 28th, 75 State street, or Matt Weller, 128 Main street. A 14 p

POLO AND HOCKEY SUPPLIES prices lowest in the city. Large line to select from at The Liberty, 1023 Broad St. Open evenings. T 30 s t f o

CARD READER.—Advice on all affairs, 35c. Mrs. Levy, 674 Madison Ave., 4th house above North Ave. G 6 t r

GAS LAMPS, inverted, complete \$60; Ever Ready, 50c; Portable, complete with tube, \$2.50, at The Liberty, 1023 Broad St. Open evenings. T 30 s t f o

A. FRANK, Optician and Loan office has removed to 1214 Main St. 12 tfe

WEATHER FORECAST

Rain or snow, colder, tonight; fair and colder tomorrow.

PRICE ONE CENT.